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Addendum

I am writing again in connection with the provisions of section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243, according to which no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly may meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Those subsidiary organs that wish to meet during a regular session of the Assembly submit their request through the Committee on Conferences.

I wish to inform you that the Committee on Conferences has received a request from the Preparatory Committee for the special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and further initiatives to meet in New York during the main part of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly.

The Committee on Conferences, having carefully considered this request and the reason for it, does not object, on the strict understanding that such meetings would have to be accommodated within available facilities and services so that the activities of the General Assembly itself are not adversely affected.

As the Preparatory Committee for the special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and further initiatives expects to meet as soon as possible, I should be grateful if the General Assembly would explicitly authorize the aforementioned Preparatory Committee to meet in accordance with its request, subject to the conditions referred to in the foregoing paragraph.

(*Signed*) Peter **Van De Velde**
Chairman
Committee on Conferences

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